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SUBJ: PROPOSAL FOR FEBRUARY MEETING OF OECD HIGH LEVEL GROUP

ON COMMODITIES

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- 1. DUTCH REPRESENTATIVE ON OECD HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES, ECONOMIC MINISTRY OFFICIAL W. A. GAUTHIER, SUPPORTS OUR PROPOSAL FOR MEETING OF HLGC PRIOR TO CONVENING OF CIEC'S COMMISSION ON RAW MATERIALS.
- 2. GAUTHIER ADVISED US HOWEVER THAT AT MEETING OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES TO HLGC IN BRUSSELS YESTERDAY, MAJORITY PREFERRED LIMITING HLGC MEETING TO ONE DAY (FEB 10), WITH ADVANCE COORDINATION AMONG EC MEMBERS FEB 9. HE SAID ALSO THAT THERE WERE DOUBTS EXPRESSED BY SOME REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HIS DUTCH COLLEAGUES, ABOUT TAKING THE GROUP B PAPER AS

BASIS FOR DISCUSSION, BECAUSE IT WAS THOUGHT THE PAPER REPESENTED BACKWARD STEP FROM AGREEMENTS REACHED IN GENEVA IN DECEMBER.

3. IN ADDITION, GAUTHIER CAUTIONED US THAT THERE IS MORE FUNDA-MENTAL QUESTION TROUBLING THE EC REPRESENTATIVES, THAT IS TO WHAT EXTENT IT USEFUL FOR GOURP OF EIGHT TO CLOSE RANKS BEFORE ENTERING CIEC. HE SAID THAT SOME EC STATES RESERVED THEIR FREEDOM TO TAKE INDIVIDUAL POSITIONS DURING HLGC MEETING, BUT WOULD NOT REVEAL WHICH ONES. GOULD

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